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Basic distribution policy for maps constructed for the NIS Program on which references to NIS do not appear.

1. Specific conditions for distributing surplus NIS maps on which references to the NIS Program do not appear were laid down by the NIS Committee and recorded in the minutes of the NIS Committee Meeting No. 36, dated 16 August 1949. Upon receipt of your concurrence, the Map Division will initiate the procedures outlined below. These procedures apply exclusively to copies of maps prepared for the NIS Program from which references to NIS have been excluded:

a. a. Classifications of the maps are in accordance with the content without relation to the NIS classification. The appropriate security classification is determined by the agency responsible for the substantive content.

b. Confidential and Secret maps are made available to offices of the CIA, State, Department of Defense, NSAS, AEC, and the White House upon request and in accordance with security procedures. Restricted and Unclassified maps are made available to any U. S. Government requester.

c. Unclassified standard and page-size bases are available for distribution immediately following receipt from GPO. Subject (final) maps of all security classifications are available for distribution immediately following issuance of NIS Sections for which they were prepared. No copies are distributed until they have received a final check by the Cartography Branch of D/MA to assure proper classification and exclusion of NIS references.

d. Copies of these maps are not placed on automatic distribution but are distributed when considered useful in the fulfillment of specific requests for reference or working materials.

e. Copies of subject (final) maps prepared for inclusion in NIS Sections that have been submitted to [redacted] and standard bases covering areas treated by these specific NIS Sections may be forwarded [redacted] in fulfillment of map exchange commitments to that organization. 25X1X7

f. References to these maps may be included in the Secret Map Acquisitions List, issued by the CIA, after copies are available for distribution.

2. Individual exceptions to this procedure, needed for fulfillment of unusual priority requests, shall be obtained by the Chief, D/MA in consultation with the Chief, D/NIS.

3. At the beginning of fiscal year 1951 this policy and the procedures for carrying it out will be subject to review and possible revision.

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